account or the user can be billed thereafter, which being user-responsible operation(s) and is a must for the second computer to return an authorisation (i.e., the dynamic password) in response thereto.

Therefore, the requirement of claim 1 as amended, that is, "authorising software for determining the presence of identity software on a computer and without actually using the identity software to cause operation(s) for which that user has to be responsible in determining the same, and for authorising use of the <u>protected</u> software on the computer if the identity software is determined as being present", and on which it can be readable that claim 1 as amended requires "authorising use of the <u>protected</u> software without causing user-responsible operation(s)", and this not met by Ananda.

The present invention as defined by claim 1 as amended can provide protection to purchased software and rental software by discouraging a user thereof from enabling or allowing other person(s) to use the protected software or a duplication copy thereof, after payment being made.

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